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# National Scrip Collectors Association

The **National Scrip Collectors Association** was officially organized on October 21, 1972 in Fayetteville WV. The objectives and purposes of the organization are to promote the collection of coal company scrip and related tokens, to cultivate good relations between collectors of scrip tokens, and to encourage the study and research of the history of coal mining companies as it relates to the usage of scrip tokens.

In the late 1970's the scope of the **NCSA** was broadened to include tokens from other industries; including lumber, phosphate, hard rock, limestone, copper, gold & silver, brick & clay, cotton & textile, paper, iron & steel, agricultural, and others.

The first issue of *Scrip Talk* was published in 1965, and it continues today as the official newsletter for members of the **NSCA**. It exists not only as a source of information for its members, but as a forum where they can share items of interest. Please feel free to submit or suggest articles for future publication.



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Please review and renew as needed.

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# President's Letter

We had a great Fall Meeting in Cumberland Gap, Tennessee, and the feedback I have gotten here is that it was the best show we have had in Southern Appalachia in some years. For those who weren't able to get down this way, we had a good crowd (about 12 states represented), and a lotta walk-in guests who came with scrip to sell, and from what I could hear, folks bought a lot, too. There were lots of compliments for the cooks at Webb's Country Kitchen who catered our banquet, and the lighting at the Convention Center was excellent.

Probably of greater importance, we signed up quite a few new members, and more than one of those were people who politely remarked that they had been members in the past, but had dropped out during all of the squabbles we went through several years ago, and they were assured that was all in the past and that ours was a scrip swappin' club for all who enjoy the hobby!

Our next big event will be the Spring Meeting, and Corky has reserved a block of rooms for us at the Bluefield Holiday Inn for Friday, May 4, and Saturday, May 5, 2007. Also in this issue of *Scrip Talk* is a Pre-Registration form which we would urge you to use, and use early, in order to secure the special, reduced group rate we have negotiated with the hotel. This also allows us to know how many meals to order, and tells our cook how much to prepare. So please send these in ASAP, and remember that if some emergency requires you to cancel, that can be done with no charge. Room rates will be a reasonable \$85. We will publish the cost for Friday's banquet when the hotel sets a menu and price. Tables are \$15 per.

Although we have as a club provided the banquet free to members in recent years, the Board feels that we need to share this cost with the members so that the NSCA can build our treasury up a bit in anticipation of the cost of printing several new books.

Dave Schenkman is finalizing his long-awaited masterwork on mining scrip that sounds like it will be the Bible of our trade, he has graciously offered the work to the NSCA, and your Board has gratefully accepted! Also Kevin Traube has been making arrangements with the family of Stuart E. Brown, Jr. for the rights to republish his old standard, "Scrip", now out of print, and those arrangements should be finalized soon. And believe it or not, it is time to look toward a new edition of the Edkins books. We would like to appoint a publications committee at the Spring Meeting, and would appreciate anyone with an interest in this subject, or experience with publishing, editing or printing to step forward and offer your help.

There seems to be a new sense of excitement about scrip collecting lately, with more new people, more "new finds", and scrip demanding ever-increasing values, and that all adds up to a better hobby for us all, and when you, the members, bring us new ideas, and new people, we're all the better for it!

Steve Cawood

**PRE-REGISTRATION FORM**  
**NATIONAL SCRIP COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION**  
**SPRING MEETING**  
**May 4 & 5, 2007**

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I will have \_\_\_\_\_ (additional persons) attending the banquet.  
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Beckley, West Virginia 25801

Holiday Inn, Bluefield-On The Hill  
3350 Big Laurel Highway  
Bluefield, WV 24701  
(304) - 325-6170

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## Mystery Scrip



Club member Steve Kawalec asks anyone with info on the age, value, or history of this French mining scrip to contact him:

POB 4281  
Clifton, NJ 07012  
[owlprowler@aol.com](mailto:owlprowler@aol.com)



Thank you for bidding. Hope you find something here that you need.

### JACK CHAPMAN'S THIRTY-DAY SCRIP AUCTION

**Starting Date 12/26/06**

**Ending Date 1/26/07**

Lot #	Scrip #	Company and Town	R rating	Condition	Min. bid
46	KY 1540-A1	Meem Haskins Coal, Kodak, KY	R-5	good	No min.
47	KY 961-A1b	Elkhorn Shelby Creek Coal Co. (Esco)	R-4	good	No min.
48	KY 1141-A100	Glogora Coal Company (Glo)	R-2	good	No min.
49	KY 2047-C25	Dixie Blue Gem Coal Co., Nevisdale, KY	R-9	good	No min.
50	KY 2047-C10	Dixie Blue Gem Coal Co., Nevisdale, KY	R-5	good	No min.
51	KY 2047-C5	Dixie Blue Gem Coal Co., Nevisdale, KY	R-5	good	No min.
52	KY 2235-A100	Marietta Coal Co. (Pinson Fork)	R-8	fine	No min.
53	KY 2303-B100	Diamond Coal Co., Providence, KY	R-8	good	No min.
54	KY 1169-C100	Wilson Berger Coal Co. (Grays Knob)	R-5	good	No min.
55	KY 923-D1a	Harlan Producers Coal Corp., Elys, KY	R-5	fine	No min.
56	KY 2785-A100	Willie Lucas, Thornton, KY	R-7	good	No min.
57	KY 1782-A100	Stephens Elkhorn Fuel Corp., Manton, KY (Green Fiber)	R-6	very fine	No min.
58	KY 867-C100	T. P. Watkins, East Bernstadt, KY	R-7	very fine	No min.
59	KY 841-E100	Turner Elkhorn Coal Co. (Drift)	R-7	good	No min.
60	KY 2705-A50	Tradewater Coal Co., Sturgis, KY	R-6	fine	No min.
61	KY 2705-A25	Tradewater Coal Co., Sturgis, KY	R-6	very fine	No min.
62	KY 2705-A5	Tradewater Coal Co., Sturgis, KY	R-6	good	No min.
63	KY 2861-A5	Interstate Coal Co., Uniontown, KY	R-5	good	No min.
64	KY 837-H10	Black Diamond Coal Mining Co. (Drakesboro)	R-5	good	No min.
65	KY 1055-D100	Belva Stores Co., Four Mile, KY	R-5	good	No min.
66	KY 1055-D25	Belva Stores Co., Four Mile, KY	R-6	good	No min.
67	KY 1055-D10	Belva Stores Co., Four Mile, KY	R-6	good	No min.
68	KY 89-B100	Knott Coal Corporation, Anco, KY	R-3	good	No min.
69	KY 89-C100	Knott Coal Corporation, Anco, KY	R-4	good	No min.
70	KY 89-C10	Knott Coal Corporation, Anco, KY	R-3	good	No min.
71	VA 2495-U50	The Virginia-Lee Company, Inc., St. Charles, VA	R-5	fine	No min.
72	VA 2495-U10	The Virginia-Lee Company, Inc., St. Charles, VA	R-3	good	No min.
73	VA 2495-U5	The Virginia-Lee Company, Inc., St. Charles, VA	R-3	good	No min.
74	VA 2495-W100	The Virginia-Lee Company, Inc., St. Charles, VA	R-4	good	No min.
75	VA 2495-W25	The Virginia-Lee Company, Inc., St. Charles, VA	R-3	good	No min.
76	VA 2255-M25	Pocahontas Fuel Co., Inc. (Pocahontas)	R-7	good	No min.
77	VA 2807-D1c	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Toms Creek, VA	R-9	very fine	No min.
78	VA 2459-A100	Panther Coal Co., Roseann, VA	R-3	very fine	No min.
79	VA 2459-A25	Panther Coal Co., Roseann, VA	R-3	very fine	No min.
80	VA 2459-A10	Panther Coal Co., Roseann, VA	R-2	very fine	No min.
81	VA 2459-A5	Panther Coal Co., Roseann, VA	R-2	very fine	No min.
82	TN 755-A100	Straight Fork Coal Company, Dean, Tenn.	R-5	good	No min.
83	TN 755-A50	Straight Fork Coal Company, Dean, Tenn.	R-6	good	No min.
84	TN 755-A25	Straight Fork Coal Company, Dean, Tenn.	R-5	good	No min.
85	TN 557-C10	Broughton Coal Co., Inc., Clairfield, TN	R-7	good	No min.
86	TN 2475-A5	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Royal Blue, TN	R-6	good	No min.
87	TN 2475-A1	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Royal Blue, TN	R-8	good	No min.
88	TN 1047-B10	Rennebaum Coal Company (Fork Ridge)	R-5	good	No min.
89	TN 1047-C5a	Rennebaum Coal Company (Fork Ridge)	R-6	fine	No min.
90	TN 1047-C1a	Rennebaum Coal Company (Fork Ridge)	R-4	fine	No min.

Send bids to: Jack Chapman, 166 Chapman Rd., Shady Springs, WV 25918 (304) 763-5048

Lot# #18 Amount of Bid \$23.10 Lot# 77 Amount of Bid \$28.10  
 Lot# 12 Amount of Bid \$71.10 Lot# 32 Amount of Bid \$63.10

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Thank you for bidding Hope you find something here that you need

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1	KY 1283-100	Kentucky River Coal Mining Co. (Heiner, KY) (ICS)	U/L	good	\$65.00
2	KY 1283-10	Kentucky River Coal Mining Co. (Heiner, KY) (ICS)	U/L	good	\$50.00
3	KY 1283-E10	Daniel Boone Coal Corp., Lennut-Heiner, KY	R-10	good	\$50.00
4	KY 2809-A500	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Toner, KY	R-3	good	\$10.00
5	KY 2809-B1	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Toner, KY	R-3	good	No min.
6	KY 309-J1b	Blue Diamond Coal Co. (Blue Diamond, KY)	R-1	good	No min.
7	KY 541-C5	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Chevrolet, KY	R-6	good	No min.
8	KY 2185-A10	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Path Fork, KY	R-5	good	No min.
9	KY 2185-A5	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Path Fork, KY	R-3	good	No min.
10	KY 839-A100	East Harlan Coal Co., Draper, KY	R-7	good	\$15.00
11	KY 839-A25	East Harlan Coal Co., Draper, KY	R-7	very fine	\$15.00
✓ 12	KY 975-F100 X	Springton Coal Co. Mine (Evarts, KY)	R-10	good	\$65.00
13	KY 975-F50	Springton Coal Co. Mine (Evarts, KY)	R-9	good	\$35.00
14	KY 975-F10	Springton Coal Co. Mine (Evarts, KY)	R-10	good	\$55.00
15	KY 975-J25	Turner Fuel Company, Evarts, KY	R-6	fine	No min.
16	KY 975-J10	Turner Fuel Company, Evarts, KY	R-6	good	No min.
17	KY 975-J5	Turner Fuel Company, Evarts, KY	R-6	fine	No min.
✓ 18	KY 2893-A25 X	Harlan-Walins Coal Corporation, Verda, KY	R-8	good	\$20.00
19	KY 2893-H50	Verda Supply Co., Verda, KY	R-8	good	\$20.00
20	KY 2893-H25	Verda Supply Co., Verda, KY	R-6	good	\$12.00
21	KY 2893-H5	Verda Supply Co., Verda, KY	R-8	very good	\$20.00
22	KY 2793-A100	Boone-Jellico Coal Co., Tinsley, KY	R-9	very good	\$35.00
23	KY 2793-A25	Boone-Jellico Coal Co., Tinsley, KY	R-8	very good	\$25.00
24	KY 1873-A10	Fidelity Coal Miing Co., Meldrum, KY	R-10	very good	\$60.00
25	KY 1897-K10	Kentucky-Tennessee Coal Corp. (Middlesboro, KY)	R-8	fine	\$25.00
26	KY 865-A10	West Kentucky Coal Company (Earlington, KY) (Bi-metal)	R-9	fine	\$35.00
27	KY 865-A5	West Kentucky Coal Company (Earlington, KY) (Bi-metal)	R-7	good	\$18.00
28	KY 1879-K100	Central Coal Co., Muhlenberg (Mercer)	R-8	good	\$25.00
29	KY 1879-K25	Central Coal Co., Muhlenberg (Mercer)	R-6	good	\$20.00
✓ 30	KY 2081-A25 X	Harlan Splint Coal Company (Nolansburg) (K-counterstamp)	R-8	good	\$25.00
✓ 31	KY 2081-A1 X	Harlan Splint Coal Company (Nolansburg)	R-10	fine	\$55.00
✓ 32	KY 673-A5 X	River Ridge Collieries, Inc., Cote, KY	R-10	good	\$55.00
33	KY 107-A50	Landrum Coal Co., Arjay, KY	R-10	fine	\$65.00
✓ 34	KY 107-A25 X	Landrum Coal Co., Arjay, KY	R-9	fine	\$45.00
35	KY 739-A10	Dudley Coal Co., Inc. (David)	U/L	fine	\$55.00
36	KY 1617-B1b	Dixie Diamond Colliery, Inc., Letcher, KY	R-8	good	\$20.00
37	KY 1617-D10	Letcher Fountain, Letcher, KY	R-7	good	\$10.00
38	KY 1617-D1	Letcher Fountain, Letcher, KY	R-7	very good	\$10.00
39	KY 1637-A5	The Clear Branch Mining Co. Ligon, KY	R-10	very good	\$60.00
40	KY 965-B1	Wells-Elkhorn Coal Co., Estill, KY	R-8	very good	\$20.00
41	KY 2245-E25	Blacks Jellico Coal Co., Pittsburg, KY	R-10	very fine	\$125.00
42	KY 811-A100	Himyar Coal Corp., Domino, KY	R-10	very fine	\$75.00
43	VA 1483-A5	Red Jacket Coal Corp. Keen Mtn. Plant	R-10	very fine	\$65.00
✓ 44	NC 2507-A5 X	Carolina Coal Co. (Sanford, NC)	R-10	fine	\$75.00
45	NC-Merchant .50	W. B. Gibbons, Shelby, NC	U/L	fine	No min.

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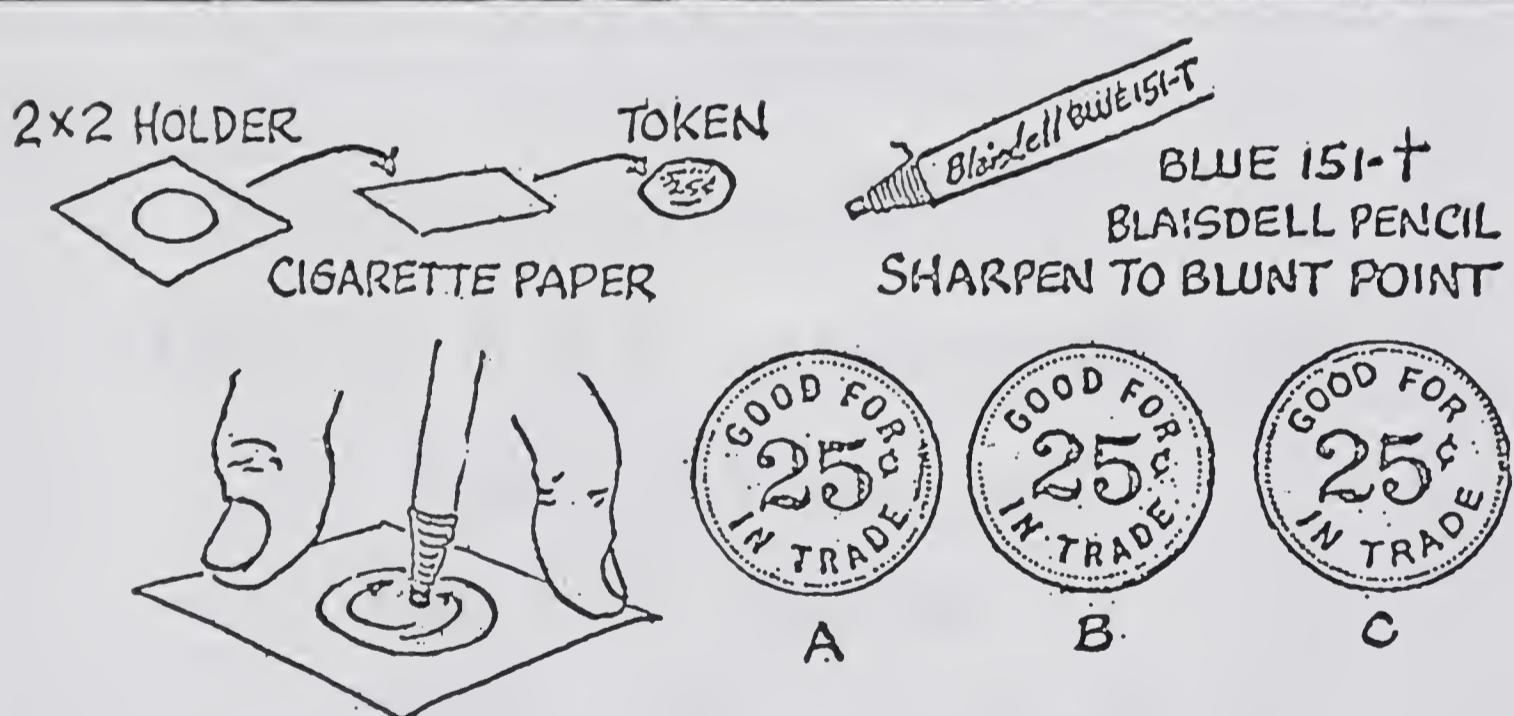


# NEW FINDS

Members are reminded that fellow collector Danny Clark is the club's New Finds Editor. When you discover a piece of mine scrip not catalogued in the Edkins guides. Please send a photo or reproduction of both sides to Danny. Your new find will be included in a future edition of Edkins.

Danny Clark  
PO Box 13  
Hugheson, WV 25110

*Courtesy of Doug Tolley, the following diagrams are reproduced from Stuart Brown's SCRIP. Thanks to the invention of the digital camera, images are a little easier to capture and share, but these techniques are still valid and interesting to review.*

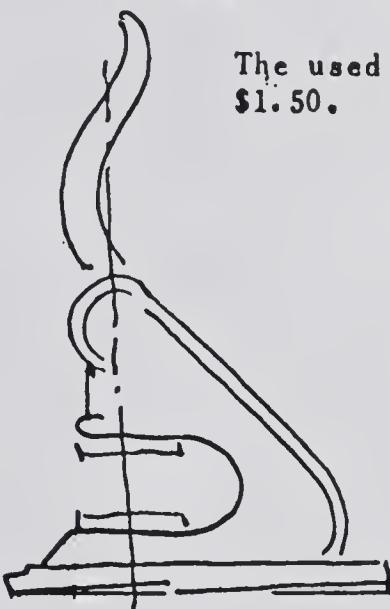


1. PLACE TOKEN DOWN WITH CIGARETTE PAPER COVERING IT. PLACE 2x2 HOLDER (WITH CELLOPHANE REMOVED) OVER TOKEN. PRESS PAPER FIRMLY INTO TOKEN WITH THUMB, AND RUB PENCIL OVER THE PAPER IN A CIRCULAR MOTION BRINGING OUT THE FIRST IMPRESSION. (A)
2. RUN THE IMPRESSION THRU THE XEROX MACHINE FOR IMPRESSION (B) AND RETOUCH WITH BLACK BALL POINT PEN AND WHITE WATER COLOR. (C)

## Foils (Foil Impressions)

The following (from CS) explains one method of making foils:

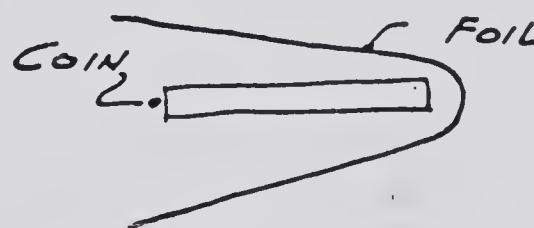
We present here a simple, inexpensive method for reproducing an exact image of your choice coin or token: Firat, purchase at your local 'second hand' dealer a used corporate seal.



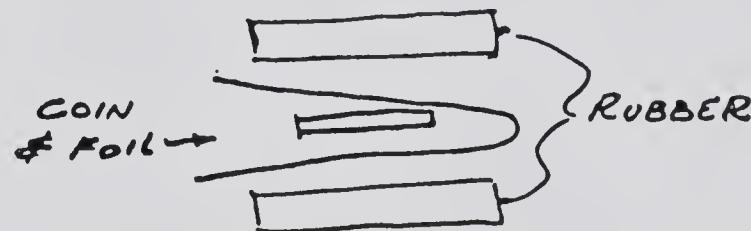
The used corporate seal should cost about \$1.50.

Remove, or have a friend remove the upper and lower seals. Replace the seals with 1/8" to 1/4" thick plates of medium rubber sheet.

Take aluminum foil - any weight. Cut 2" wide in long strip. Place the coin between the foil:



Place the foil with coin in the reworked corporate seal:



Squeeze gently! Experiment! Remove the coin gently from the foil and place impression in a 2x2 cardboard coin holder, staple, trim, and mail

And almost any method in which aluminum foil (of the common kitchen type) is pressed firmly and uniformly against a piece of scrip will produce a reasonably good foil impression.

Aluminum foil has a shiny side and a dull (or less shiny) side, and the best results seem to be obtained if the shiny side faces the piece of scrip.

Relatively good direct reproductions of pieces of scrip, particularly paper scrip, may be made by a Xerox or another type office copying machine.

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**WANTED - WEST VIRGINIA MERCHANT TRADE TOKENS**, Lumber Scrip, Encased Cents, and Greenbrier County Coal Scrip. Donald Clifford, P.O. Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177

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**WANTED - COAL SCRIP FROM CLARKSBURG, WV.** 560 A - B or C series. Send description and price to Everett Sturgill, P.O. Box 282, Wolcottville, IN 46795 +

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